

Special Forces Sniper Course

(SFSC)

ATRRS SCHOOL CODE: 331

Course Code: 2E-F67/011-ASIW3.

Course Duration: 9 Weeks (45 training days)

1. COURSE INFORMATION

a. TO TRAIN SELECTED SOF PERSONNEL TO DELIVER PRECISION RIFLE FIRE IN SUPPORT OF SPECIAL OPERATIONS MISSIONS

b. SCOPE. SNIPER MARKSMANSHIP (M24 SWS, M110), FIELD SHOOT (Mk13), LARGE CALIBER (M107), RAPID TARGET ENGAGEMENT, OBSERVATION TECHNIQUES, RANGE ESTIMATION, ADVANCED CAMOUFLAGE AND CONCEALMENT TECHNIQUES, URBAN AND RURAL HIDE TT&P, STALKING, RURAL AND URBAN, TARGET SELECTION/INTERDICTION, PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE CAPTURE (PIC) SOTV, CULMINATION EXERCISE INCLUDING LIVE FIRE INTEGRATED ASSAULTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH SFARTAETC COURSE

c. GENERAL. Personnel trained in the technical skills and operational procedures necessary to deliver precision rifle fire from concealed positions to selected targets in support of special operations forces missions. Personnel are trained in advanced rifle marksmanship, Sniper marksmanship, observation techniques, range estimation, advanced concealment methods, stalking, camouflage, target selection and interdiction, and integration in a Direct Action mission force. All are taught in both rural and urban environments

d. COURSE INFORMATION. The SFSC is a classified courses of instruction based at Fort Bragg, NC. This course has a maximum/optimum class size of 40 and minimum class size of 8.

e. To attend class you must have a reservation in the Army Training Requirements and Resources System (ATRRS), or shoot in through the standby process. You must have orders to attend the course, and meet the course prerequisites. THE SCHOOL EXERCISES NO QUOTA CONTROL, quota control is under the auspicious of USASOC and USASFC with standbys placed on the USASOC or USASFC standby list. Army personnel other than those assigned USASOC: Submit a DA Form 4187 through your Chain-of-command to your career branch at PERSCOM. USASOC personnel contact your unit training NCO. ARNG & USAR personnel follow your component procedures. USAF, USMC & USN personnel follow your service procedures. Telephone numbers for the USASOC Liaison with the US Navy is 432-1020; US Marine Corps is 432-7315 and the US Air Force is 432-8970, DSN for Fort Bragg is 239-XXXX, area code is 910.

2. STUDENT INFORMATION

a. STUDENT PREREQUISITES. Students must meet the following prerequisites prior to attending the SFSC:

(1) Active Army and Reserve Component Special Forces or Ranger qualified commissioned officers, LT through CPT; WO, MOS 180A; and enlisted personnel, SPC through MSG assigned to or on orders to a Special Forces detachment or Ranger Company; and selected Department of Defense personnel or foreign students.

(2) Set of orders to attend the Special Forces Sniper Course.

(3) Must have a current SECRET (or above) security clearance.

(4) Current periodic health assessment.

(5) Must be on current Hazardous Duty Orders and present a copy during in processing.

(6) Qualified as expert with current service rifle in accordance with current qualification standards within twelve (12) months of the class date, certified in writing by Unit Commander.

(7) Students will take the Army Physical Fitness Test and must meet a minimum 240 standard scoring at least 80 points in each event IAW DA PAM 600-25. Students will report to in processing in their unit PT uniform.

(8) Must meet height and weight standards and will be weighed in at in processing.

(9) All students attending this course must have a JPAS printout or memorandum verifying a current Secret or above Clearance during in-processing. (NOTE: No Interim Clearances allowed)

b. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT. Students will need the following:

- Rucksack
- ACU complete. ACU is duty uniform. (Student may bring BDU, DCU, Multi-cam for field environment IE; STALK)
- Light Combat equipment: LBE, LCE
- Poncho/ Poncho liner. Cold weather sleep system for winter classes
- Entrenching tool
- Compass (other than wrist compass IE military, Suunto, Silva)
- Headlamp
- Flashlight
- Civilian Clothing for use in field environment (Urban Stalk)
- Old uniform for Ghillie base or Ghillie suit (Material will be issued IE. Net/jute)
- Combination lock
- Military issue cold weather and wet weather gear. (military colors)
- PRC-152 complete with communication compatible hearing protection and all cables/antennas. Radio pouch and 2x Batteries
- Fast rope gloves
- Body armor with pouches and plates. (NO slick kit)
- Ballistic helmet with NVG mount for PVS-14
- Ballistic eye protection with clear lenses.
- Rigger belt with attaching point for safety line
- Med kit pouch attachable to kit/LBE
- Three day bag/ Range bag (military style/colors)
- Prescription eyeglasses if worn

Recommended Items

- Individual Night vision. (PVS 14 will be issued)
- Wrist compass
- Map case
- GPS (GPS use not allowed until FTX/Culex)
- Flight Gloves/Camouflage gloves
- Field craft items: Monocular/Compact saw/Pruning shears
- Team equipment: Laser range finder/ Spotting scope/NVD/ATRAG PDA/ (items will be issued but can be brought if individual wants to become proficient with team organic equipment)

Note: It is recommended that students attending this course use SFSC Sniper Weapon Systems. SFSC SWSs are properly maintained and can be rapidly repaired with SFSC spare parts. Unit weapons will not be repaired with SFSC spare parts. Students may use any currently issued SWS, if other than 7.62 NATO, unit must arrange for ammunition transfer. Students will be issued Sniper Weapon Systems that are properly maintained. Privately owned weapons (POW's) are not authorized on Mac Ridge Triangle Compound. Any POW's weapons bought while attending the SFSC will not be stored in the Company D arms room.

d. GROOMING STANDARDS. Students are expected to report for class within the standards outlined in AR 670-1. Further guidance will be provided during in processing regarding relaxed grooming standards.

e. MEDICAL. Students must meet the height and weight standards as outlined in AR 600-9, Height and Weight Standards. Must not possess a permanent or temporary profile that would prohibit the SM from passing the standard APFT events as outlined in paragraph Student Information (section 2.a.3). Alternate events are not authorized. Students are required to wear personal protective equipment weighing excess of 60 lbs over long periods of time while performing rigorous physical events. Vision must be correctable to 20/20 in each eye, two sets of glasses or contacts if required. Students cannot be on any prescription medication that causes drowsiness or altered state of mind. Students are not allowed to self-medicate or treat other students while attending SFSC. This includes but is not limited to over-the-counter medications and dietary supplements. All medications will be administered by the D/2/1 medical staff. Students on prescription medications will include the prescription information during in-processing. Students are required to declare any past or current life threatening allergies. SM must have no history of alcohol or drug abuse and no courts martial during current enlistment.

f. FUNDS. Functional Government Credit Card with appropriate credit limit. Students should bring adequate money for incidentals.

g. TRAVEL ORDERS. Temporary duty orders should reflect that quarters are available and rations are available during duty days (only incidentals authorized) and full M & IE for non-duty days (weekends). Orders should reflect 2 TDY locations (Ft Bragg: weeks 1-2 and 5-9 and Ft Knox: weeks 3-4). Due to slight variations of TDY location dates make sure your orders/DTS reflects Variations Authorized.

h. BILLETING. Billets are available throughout the course. The billets are located in the company area/training site. Students will be billeted in the Company D ready rooms NET two days prior to the scheduled start date and NLT 1400 on graduation day Meals will not be provided on non-duty days (weekends).

i. TRANSPORTATION.

(1) D/2/1 DOES NOT provide any transportation to students other than tactical vehicles during the conduct of the POI. Rental car authorization is the sending unit's decision/responsibility. Parent units may coordinate with Ft. Bragg TMP for their soldiers to use a TMP vehicle. This coordination and cost is the responsibility of the sending unit and not D/2/1 SWTG's.

(2) Airline tickets. Parent units will provide students with airline tickets to and from the course location as per TDY travel orders. Students will not be allowed to leave the compound before 1200 on the graduation date. Students should plan accordingly when scheduling departure flights.

j. REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) All Students, both ATTRS and standbys, will be present, in PT uniform, NLT 0500 on the course START DATE (Call 907-2617 for final instructions) at Company D, Building O-3556 (at the corner of Mac Ridge and Lamont). Students must show on the report date with all required paperwork for in-processing and must be prepared to present paperwork prior to the APFT. Students not meeting this requirement will be returned to unit. Students remaining will be in processed and must be prepared to remain at the Company D until at least 1700 that day. Students not present at 0500 for in-processing will not be permitted to start the course and will be returned to their parent unit. Additionally, personnel reporting prior to the course reporting date should secure any weapons in the company arms room, which can be accessed 24 hours a day through the aforementioned guard post phone number.

(2) Reporting.

- (a) Dressed in PT Uniform
- (b) All necessary paper work
- (c) Parent unit Modified Grooming standards memo (if applicable)